

EASTERN MARKETS.

CHICAGO

The market opened Monday with a considerable amount of anticipation and some uneasiness, this being the day when the figures on the crops of the country are published, and in consequence wheat was unsettled, with trading very active at times, although prices were irregular and fluctuated within a range of $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢, finally closing at Saturday's prevailing figures. The opening was strong and higher, and being influenced by firm European advices and liberal receipts in the Northwest, speculative offerings were heavy and prices recorded $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢, then rallied to $\frac{3}{4}$ ¢, when it was known that the visible supply would not show as large an increase as had been calculated upon. Corn was weak and declined $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ on prices of Saturday, with only a moderate market. Closing prices were:

	Oct.	Dec.
Wheat	69 $\frac{1}{2}$	72 $\frac{1}{2}$
Corn	42 $\frac{1}{2}$	41 $\frac{1}{2}$
Oats	—	—
Pork	—	—
Lard	0.45	0.37 $\frac{1}{2}$
Short Ribs	—	—

Pork—Year, \$12.00; January, \$12.37 $\frac{1}{2}$.

On Tuesday trading was steady at the opening, and gaining strength, made a fractional advance towards noon, the highest point being reached at 2 o'clock; free selling then brought prices down, which rallied somewhat and closed at about yesterday's figure. October lard suffered a decline of $\frac{1}{4}$ ¢, as did also short ribs of $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢. Closing prices were:

	Oct.	Dec.
Wheat	69 $\frac{1}{2}$	72 $\frac{1}{2}$
Corn	42 $\frac{1}{2}$	41 $\frac{1}{2}$
Oats	25 $\frac{1}{2}$	—
Pork	—	—
Lard	0.37 $\frac{1}{2}$	0.30
Short Ribs	0.20	—

Pork—Year, \$12.00; January, \$12.37 $\frac{1}{2}$.

Lard—January, \$0.37 $\frac{1}{2}$.

The market opened with free offerings on Wednesday but held up well, excepting a short time after the opening and just preceding the close. Prices had an upward tendency and advanced $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢. Corn suffered a decline as also did provisions, short ribs and lard for October, declining 20¢ and 10¢ respectively. The afternoon session created greater interest, provisions being steadier and wheat and corn firmer, though no decided change in prices occurred. At the close quotations were as follows:

	Oct.	Dec.
Wheat	69 $\frac{1}{2}$	72 $\frac{1}{2}$
Corn	41 $\frac{1}{2}$	41 $\frac{1}{2}$
Oats	25 $\frac{1}{2}$	—
Pork	—	—
Lard	0.27	0.27
Short Ribs	7.17	—

Pork—Year, \$12.20; January, \$12.22 $\frac{1}{2}$.

Lard—January, \$0.32 $\frac{1}{2}$.

The market on Thursday was dull and uninteresting and throughout the day there was but slight fluctuations and finally closed steady at yesterday's figures. Provisions were slow and the downward tendency in pork products still maintained. Prices were as follows:

	Oct.	Dec.
Wheat	69 $\frac{1}{2}$	72 $\frac{1}{2}$
Corn	41 $\frac{1}{2}$	41 $\frac{1}{2}$
Oats	26	—
Pork	—	—
Lard	0.30	0.27 $\frac{1}{2}$
Short Ribs	7.10	—

Pork—January, \$12.25 to \$12.27 $\frac{1}{2}$.

Ribs, \$6.50. Lard, \$0.52 $\frac{1}{2}$ to \$0.55.

Friday's market developed nothing new and the decline was maintained. Speculation was dead and traders were scarce. Everything seemed to partake of the downward movement, the opening price being the highest of the session. Closing figures were as follows:

	Oct.	Dec.
Wheat	69 $\frac{1}{2}$	72
Corn	41 $\frac{1}{2}$	41
Oats	—	—
Pork	—	—
Lard	0.27 $\frac{1}{2}$	0.25
Short Ribs	—	—

Pork—January, \$12.25.

The uninteresting condition of the market was maintained on Saturday. At 11 o'clock November wheat was dull at 70 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 70 $\frac{3}{4}$.

MINNEAPOLIS.

The market has made no improvement on that of the previous week, the government crop report showing that previous estimates have been too low and the total crop is placed now at 450,000,000 bushels. Inadequate transportation facilities still exist. Prices are weak and have shown fluctuation within a slight range. Low grades suffered a decline. The report of the *Northwestern Miller* on the flour market is to the effect of a healthy tone being maintained, a large movement, but quieter feeling. Export demand good at recent prices and domestic inquiry steady. Millers do not complain of slow movement of any particular grades, a good indication that the movement generally is fair. The milling quality of the new crop being so satisfactory, there is now an absence of anxiety about the old wheat running out. Quotations for wheat are:

	Cash.	Dec.	On track.
No. 1 hard	70	71 $\frac{1}{2}$	71 $\frac{1}{2}$ -71 $\frac{3}{4}$
No. 1 northern	67	68 $\frac{1}{2}$	68 $\frac{1}{2}$ -69 $\frac{1}{2}$
No. 2	63	64 $\frac{1}{2}$	64 $\frac{1}{2}$ -64 $\frac{3}{4}$

Flour quotations were: Patent sacks to local dealers, \$4.15 to \$4.30; straights, \$3.80 to \$4; first bakers', \$3.60 to \$3.75; second bakers', \$2.85 to \$3.00; best low grades, \$1.80 to \$2.00 in bags; red dog, \$1.50 to \$1.60 in bags.

DULUTH WHEAT MARKET.

Closing prices for No. 1 Hard on each day of the week were:

	Cash	Dec.	May.
Monday	71 $\frac{1}{2}$	—	78 $\frac{1}{2}$
Tuesday	71	72 $\frac{1}{2}$	78 $\frac{1}{2}$
Wednesday	72	72 $\frac{1}{2}$	78 $\frac{1}{2}$
Thursday	72	72 $\frac{1}{2}$	78 $\frac{1}{2}$
Friday	72 $\frac{1}{2}$	72 $\frac{1}{2}$	78 $\frac{1}{2}$

On Saturday at 11 o'clock prices were: Cash, 72 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢; December, 72 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢, and May, 78 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢. Markets quiet and weak.

MONTREAL MARKETS.

GRAIN.

The wheat market has been quiet and generally steady, wheat being also rather slow. Quotations given for grain were as follows: Manitoba No. 1 hard, \$4 to \$5¢; Manitoba 2 hard, \$2 to \$3¢; Manitoba 1 northern, \$2 to \$3¢; Canada red winter wheat, \$3¢ to \$5¢; white winter, \$3¢ to \$5¢; Canada spring, \$3 to \$5¢; peas, 72 to 73¢ per 66 lbs.; oats, 31 to 32¢ per 32 lbs.; rye, 50¢; barley, 48 to 55¢.

FLOUR.

Was quiet but a fair trade appears to have been done at nominally steady prices, although a few concessions have been made.

BUTTER.

Has not changed to any extent and the export demand is small, with local fair. Prices are as follows: Creamery, 21 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 23 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢; townships, 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 21 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢; western, 15 18 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢; low grades, 9 to 12¢.

CHEESE

Nothing of a definite character has been done the market being principally done in talk. Finest Aug., 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 11 $\frac{3}{4}$ ¢; fine, September, 12¢; medium to fine 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 11 $\frac{1}{4}$ ¢.

LIVE STOCK.

Fair demand for export cattle at 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 4¢; butchers 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 3 $\frac{1}{4}$ ¢. Hogs in fair demand at 4 $\frac{1}{4}$ to 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ ¢ per lb. live weight.

R. RIGBY, photographer, has opened a gallery at Regina.

BROOK & ALFREY, stock raisers, Macleod, have dissolved partnership.

A BARREL mill will be erected in connection with the Keewatin grist mill.

THOMAS BOTTERILL, general storekeeper, Lethbridge, has made an assignment to Geo. D. Wood.

NORTH NORFOLK tax sale has been postponed until Nov. 1st, sale taking place in Portage la Prairie on that date.

McBEAN's elevator at Morden, had a narrow escape from destruction by fire on Friday last, the engine room being totally wrecked.

THERE are six buyers on the Portage la Prairie market and one day last week fifteen thousand bushels of wheat were purchased.

THE Prince Albert Milling Co. have their prospectus in circulation. Shares are placed at \$25 each, and are limited to 504. One half of this amount has been taken up.

A CIRCULAR has been received by a commission merchant of this city from Chicago intimating that potatoes in car lots can find ready sale in that city, also stating Manitoba potatoes to be the best in the market.

THE Rapid City cheese factory has been closed down for the season, the output being about 30,000 pounds. Mr. Patterson has had offers of 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ for stock on hand but has not decided to accept that figure.

MESSRS. McDONALD & PRESTON, contractors on the old Souris & Rocky Mountain Railway, have been in Rapid City for some time last week endeavoring to effect a settlement with creditors of the old road bed.

Some Points About Notes.

When a note is payable it is said to be "at maturity." In calculating when this will be the following rules are to be observed:

A month is a calendar, and not a lunar month.

Exclude the day of the date of the note.

Allow for three days' grace.

If the third day of grace fall on a Sunday or a legal holiday, the note is due the day before, or on the second day of grace.